

## IIS-USEPA-Clinton River Mouth Coastal Wetlands Restoration

**Project Location:** The project is located at the mouth of the Clinton River along the Lake St. Clair shoreline in Harrison Township, MI. The Clinton River is an Area of Concern (AOC).

**Project Description:** The project was transferred from the Great Lakes Fisheries and Ecosystem Restoration (GLFER) authority to an Economy in Government Act to restore wetlands at the mouth of the Clinton River. A collaboration between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) evolved to restore a former dredged material disposal facility, soften the shoreline and create fish and wildlife habitat at the mouth of the Clinton River.

This project will restore environmental conditions at the mouth of the Clinton River, remove invasive species, soften the shoreline and develop wetlands on the surface of an old dredged material placement facility. The completed project will add positive benefits to two Beneficial Use Impairments (BUIs), loss of Fish and Wildlife Habitat and Degraded Fish and Wildlife Populations in the AOC. This project is authorized under Economy in Government Act (31 USC 1535) - Interagency and International Services (IIS).

Non-Federal Partner: N/A

**Project Benefits:** The project creates approximately 11 acres of emergent wetlands and 4 acres of coastal habitat.

**Project Status:** In 2015, the Corps removed invasive Phragmites and conducted bathymetric and topographic surveys of the site. Design was completed in 2017 and a construction contract was awarded in August 2017. Major construction was completed in June 2018 with the exception of the wetland planting in Lake St. Clair which has been postponed until spring 2019 due to high lake levels. All plantings are followed by a 1 year planting establishment period.



Estimated Pro	ject Costs
Federal	2,280,692
Non-Federal	0
Total	2,280,692

Project Milestones	
Design Complete	May 2017
Contract Award	Aug 2017
Major Construction Completed	June 2018
Project Physically Complete	May 2020

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